

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2829 - HB 3077

March 13, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates additional assistant district attorneys general and assistant public defender positions and support staff over a three-year period based upon the Weighted Caseload Study. Also creates an additional chancery court judgeship and an additional criminal court judgeship in the 20th Judicial District to take office September 1, 2000. Positions for the 20th and 30th Judicial Districts assistant public defenders, based upon the need established in the Weighted Caseload Study, would be required to have specific funding in the General Appropriation Act.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$4,588,000 FY 2000/01
\$358,000 One-time FY2000/01
\$8,595,000 FY 2001/02
\$315,000 One-time FY2001/02
\$11,940,600 FY 2002 and Subsequent Years
\$249,000 One-time FY2002/03

Assumes 47 assistant district attorneys general and support staff, 20 assistant public defenders and support staff, and two judges and support staff in FY 2000/01. The Governor's Recommended Budget includes 18 assistant district attorneys general (\$947,800) and 7 assistant public defenders (\$448,300).

In the FY 2001/02, 47 assistant district attorneys general and support staff and 18 assistant public defenders and support staff would be created.

In the FY 2002/03, 48 assistant district attorneys general and support staff and 4 assistant public defenders and support staff would be created.

For information purposes, the 20th Judicial District would require a specific appropriation of \$447,300 for 9 additional assistant public defenders in FY 2000/01 and the 30th Judicial District would require a specific appropriation of \$278,700 for 6 additional assistant public defenders in FY 2000/01.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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